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SYSTEM AND PROGRAM FOR COPYING OF DATA IN STORAGE UNIT

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1. EMC<sup>2</sup>, "[http://www.emc2.co.jp/local/ja/JP/products/product\\_pdfs/srdf/srdf.pdf](http://www.emc2.co.jp/local/ja/JP/products/product_pdfs/srdf/srdf.pdf)".
2. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2000-305856, published November 2,  
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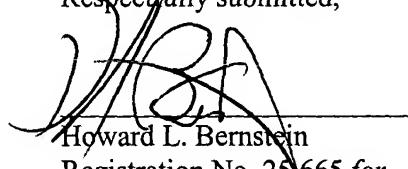
4. S. Tomita et al., "Computer Architecture, Quantitative Approach of Designing, Implementation and Evaluation", (February 1994), pp. 442-443.

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